

BIG FIGHT AT HAND.

Kuropatkin's Forces Concentrated to Withstand Jap Advance.

BOTH SIDES LOSE HEAVILY.

Russian Outposts, Hampered by Their Wagon Trains, Suffer Severely in War Guard Action While Retreating to Their Main Position.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—The operations around Liaoyang have undergone a complete change. Owing to the delay in the concentration of General Kuropatkin's army as a result of the terrible condition of the roads the Japanese seized the opportunity to attack the slow moving corps, and severe fighting occurred Aug. 27 and 28, in which the Russians lost another thousand men, and they now probably will have to accept a general engagement. General Kuropatkin himself describes the latest phase of the hostilities in a long dispatch to the emperor from a point on the railroad a few miles south of Liaoyang, where practically the whole army was assembled and awaiting battle. The telegram says:

"The Japanese began at dawn Aug. 27 two movements designed to cut off the First and Fourth corps. The First, stationed at Anshanshan, half way between Hailieng and Liaoyang, experienced the most serious difficulty owing to bad roads. The Japanese, under General Oku, tried to flank this corps from the east. In the meantime General Kuroki, abandoning his pressure of Generals Ivanoff and Herschelmann, drove a wedge between the Second and Fourth corps, which were stationed west of Liandianshan, a strong defensive position in the hills twenty-four miles southeast of Liaoyang.

Russians Impeded by Baggage. "The Russians, greatly impeded by their artillery and commissariat, fought a series of rear guard actions in order to cover the retreat of their impediments to Liaoyang, in which they were successful. The First corps, which figured at the battle of the Yalu and in the fighting at Motien pass, again sustained the brunt of the fighting and suffered the majority of the losses.

"The First, Second and Fourth corps, combined under the command of General Zoubouloff, and the Tenth, Seventeenth and Third corps, under General Ivanoff, forming the eastern contingent, succeeded in effecting a concentration at Liaoyang without further loss.

"The whole six corps, of which two are European troops, have now formed a semicircle within a radius of six or eight miles of Liaoyang."

General Kuropatkin has not far short of 170,000 men.

ROUTKOVSKY KILLED.

Noted Russian Engineer Among Sunday's War Victims.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—An official dispatch from Liaoyang, dated Aug. 28, to the general staff, reporting the continued Japanese advance on Sunday, confirms the report that General Routkovsky was killed during the rear guard engagements and adds that Colonel von Raaben was also killed.

The total of the Russian losses on Sunday is not known, but 400 wounded have arrived at Harbin. The losses of the Japanese were considerable.

Lieutenant General Routkovsky for a number of years had been attached to the staff of the governor general of the Caucasus as chief of the engineer corps. He belonged to a prominent family of the Novgorod district.

Colonel von Raaben was a well known character in St. Petersburg. He was a man of great wealth and was very popular socially.

PRESSING PORT ARTHUR.

Japanese Renew Attack on Belaguered City, Refugees Report.

Chefoo, Aug. 30.—Severe fighting was resumed at Port Arthur on Aug. 27, according to Chinese who left there on the evening of the 27th. Between Aug. 22 and 26 there was some fighting, but it was less severe than that on the 27th.

One of the Chinese was arrested and compelled to carry the dead from the battlefield of Pailienwang, which the Japanese attempted to capture on Aug. 26. Thirty cars were used to carry the dead, numbering 400, from the trenches and outskirts to the city.

A policeman told the Chinese that the efficient soldiers in the garrison at Port Arthur numbered over 10,000.

JAPS RENEW ATTACK.

Their Artillery Shells Russian South Front, and Infantry Advances.

Liaoyang, Aug. 30.—The Japanese artillery resumed the battle at 6 a. m. the point of pressure again being the Russian south front.

The Japanese infantry is now advancing to attack the regiments deployed in open order.

The Russian army, which effected its retirement, with transport and artillery, on Liaoyang, is now in position awaiting the advancing Japanese.

The progress of the latter has been rapid and determined, sparing of no sacrifice.

In the attack on the Liaoyang position one Japanese battalion lost all of its officers.

Anping Army Reaches Liaoyang. Hsiao-tun (eleven miles east of Liaoyang), Aug. 30.—The Russian army from Anping has debouched upon the

Liaoyang plain after fighting a rear guard action for nearly ten miles from Anping, bringing its wounded and burying its dead on the way. Six guns are reported to have been lost, but a number of Japanese were captured, showing signs of great fatigue and hardships. The enormous army, the last of which passed out on the Liao valley at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, seems to fill the entire plain, from the foothills to the ancient walls and is disposed in an orderly manner through the vast fields of Chinese corn, the soldiers singing as they went into camp, despite their unbroken series of reverses.

No Discrimination Against England. London, Aug. 30.—The Russian government has given assurances to Great Britain that there is absolutely no ground for the charge that the Russian warships are discriminating against British shipping in favor of German or other shipping in connection with their operations to search for contraband. It is explicitly stated that Russia is not pursuing British ships, German ships or ships of any other nationality, but that she is solely pursuing contraband. This assurance has gone far to allay the irritation of the government here, which had been receiving unofficial information indicating discrimination.

French Naval Attache Missing. St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—There is considerable anxiety regarding the fate of Lieutenant de Couville, the French naval attache, who left Port Arthur in a junk at about the same time as Lieutenant McCully, the United States naval attache. Nothing has been heard of the French officer since that time. At the request of the French embassy, Ambassador McCormick telegraphed to Lieutenant McCully at Liaoyang to ascertain if he could throw any light on the matter. De Couville should have arrived at some Chinese port a week ago.

Battleship Orel Disabled. St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—From an excellent source it is stated that the ill starred Russian battleship Orel, which already has suffered two accidents, will not be able to join the Baltic squadron. According to reports, when her engine trials began it was discovered that the engine had been practically wrecked by workmen introducing iron filings into the valves and cylinders. It will probably require many months to repair the damage. This is the second of the failure of the Orel to go out on a trial trip with the other ships last week.

Stoessel Can't Hold Out Much Longer. St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—It is learned from a reliable source that Lieutenant General Stoessel, commander of the Russian military forces at Port Arthur, has telegraphed to the emperor thanking him for the recent message of encouragement sent to the garrison of Port Arthur, saying that the defenders of the fortress are ready and willing to lay down their lives, but adding that the garrison has already suffered severely and intimating that it is hardly possible to hold out for more than a month or six weeks.

Russians Lose Three Thousand. Harbin, Manchuria, Aug. 30.—The Russian losses in the fighting of Aug. 25 and Aug. 26 east and south of Liaoyang were 3,000 killed or wounded. The great majority of the casualties were sustained at Anping. The withdrawals of the Russians from their front at Anshanshan and from their eastern position were made simultaneously for strategic reasons.

General Fock's Optimism. London, Aug. 30.—A St. Petersburg dispatch to a news agency says that the mother of Major General Fock has received a message from the general, who is one of the Russian commanders at Port Arthur, saying that the Russians have plenty of stores and adding that the fortress will not surrender. The date of the dispatch is not given.

Volunteer Fleet Cruiser Overhauled. London, Aug. 30.—It is stated on good authority that the British cruisers sent to search for the Russian volunteer fleet cruisers Smolensk and St. Petersburg have overhauled at least one of those vessels. The utmost reticence is maintained at the admiralty, and no official confirmation of the statement has been given out.

Kuropatkin Not Cut Off. St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—The department of telegraphs asserts that the lines are working direct to Liaoyang, thus refuting definitely the report that General Kuroki had cut the railroad.

Finnish Diet Summoned. Helsinki, Finland, Aug. 30.—The definite announcement of the convening of the diet Dec. 4 has created an excellent impression in Finland, where it had been feared for months that it was the intention of the Russian authorities to refuse to summon it. The list of subjects to be discussed published in the Finland Gazette, beyond the questions relating to the organization of the diet, is not important, but the mere fact of the assembling of the four estates, which the Finns consider to be bound up in all their traditions, taken in connection with the spirit of the recent imperial manifesto, has produced a good impression.

Aged British Vice Admiral Dead. London, Aug. 30.—The death is announced of Vice Admiral W. R. Roland, retired. He was born in 1817. Admiral Roland had received a gold medal from the United States government for saving part of the crew of the United States brig Somers, upset off the island of Sacrificos, on the west coast of Mexico.

GRAND LABOR DAY PICNIC

Under Auspices Central Labor Union of Barre and Vicinity.

AT CALEDONIA PARK

Monday, September 5, 1904

Thomas D. Nicholls of Scranton, Pa.

Orator of the Day, will deliver an Address at 2 o'clock P. M., taking for his subject "The Labor Union—Its Main Object."

Pietro Esteve of Paterson, New Jersey

Will deliver an Address in Italian at the same hour. Mr. Esteve's subject will be "La Missione dell' Unionismo."

All Games Will be Suspended for One Hour During the Speaking.

LIST OF SPORTS AND PRIZES.

Entry Fees to Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16—15 cents. Quits 10 cents. All Entry Fees to be Paid by the Check System.

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| 1—THROWING HAMMER—Prizes as follows: \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | 11—APPRENTICE RACE, 100 Yards, (for first year apprentices)—Prizes, \$4.00, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. |
| 2—PUTTING 16 POUND STONE—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | 12—HALF-MILE RACE—Prizes, \$5.00, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. |
| 3—RUNNING HIGH JUMP—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | 13—OBSTACLE RACE—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00, \$1.00 and \$1.00. |
| 4—HOP, STEP AND JUMP—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | 14—MARRIED LADIES' RACE, 50 Yards—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. |
| 5—VAULTING WITH POLE—Prizes, \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00. | 15—EGG AND LADLE RACE (50 Yards each way)—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. |
| 6—100 YARD RACE—Prizes, \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$1.00. | 16—FAT MEN'S RACE, 100 Yards—Prizes, \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$1.00. Contestants must weigh 200 pounds or over. |
| 7—200 YARD HURDLE RACE—Prizes \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | QUITS—Prizes, \$4.00, \$3.00 and \$2.00. |
| 8—BOYS' RACE, 50 Yards, Handicap, (eleven years and under), Prizes \$2.00, \$1.00 and 50 cents. | WIRE GUESSING COMPETITION—A Prize of \$5.00 for the nearest guess to length of wire, 2 cents a guess by check. |
| 9—GIRLS' RACE, 30 Yards, Handicap, (eleven years and under), Prizes \$2.00, \$1.00 and 50 cents. | SHOOTING COMPETITION—Prizes, \$5.00, \$3.00 and \$1.00. Three shots for five cents by check. |
| 10—YOUNG LADIES' RACE, 100 Yards—Prizes, \$3.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00. | ALSO Aunt Sally, the Hairy Fairies and a host of other attractions will be on the grounds. |

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Barre Rangers vs. Pick of the State.

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HIGHLAND DANCING BY BARCLAY SISTERS

Refreshments Served on the Grounds!

Hot Coffee and Sandwiches, Ice Cream, Fruit, Popped Corn, Soft Drinks and Union-made Cigars. 5c Checks buy them.

Dancing in Pavilion! Music, Opera House Orchestra!

Train Service To and From Picnic Grounds.

FROM AND TO THE HILL. (Round Trip, 55c.)
Special Train from Quarries leaves at 9:30 A. M.
Returning, leaves Caledonia Park at 5:30 P. M.
FROM BARRE AND RETURN. (Round Trip, 15c.)
Trains leave Barre over M. & W. R. R. at 10:30 A. M., 12:30, 2:00, 3:15 and 4:10 P. M.
Returning, leave Caledonia Park at 2:45, 3:50, 5:15, 6:00 and 6:30 P. M.
BARRE & MONTPELIER TRACTION COMPANY.
The Electric Railroad will carry for 5 cents each way. Parties going on the electric should leave car at the Marvin Farm.

Admission (Fee to the Park.

ADULTS.....25c LADIES.....Free
BOYS 10 TO 15 YEARS.....10c TEAMS.....25c

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OLDFIELD'S LAST RACE.

Automobilist Says He is Out of the Game For Good.

St. Louis, Aug. 30.—After the automobile races here, in which Barney Oldfield's machine killed two spectators, Mr. Oldfield said: "This race is my last. I am through with the game as far as racing is concerned. I may take part in exhibitions, but no more contests for me. The dust raised by Webb's machine was so great that I could absolutely see nothing at all. The track was not the best in the world, and the low banking permitted the machines to slide on the turns."

"The result was that every time they skidded a tremendous dust cloud was lifted. Into one of these I came while chasing Webb. This was on the second turn of the first mile. I was going fast and was blinded so completely that I had no time to do anything, and the first thing I knew I was picked up and was getting into Webb's machine. The mishap was deplorable in the extreme, and I am through."

This is the second serious accident that Barney Oldfield has figured in. While racing at Grosse Pointe, Detroit, several months ago, the steering gear of his famous car "Duff" became damaged and he ran into a man, killing him.

Mr. Oldfield is at the Missouri Baptist sanatorium recovering from several cuts and bruises. It is expected that he will be out again in a few days.

GEORGE W. CUMMINGS DEAD.

Vice President and a Founder of the American Press Association.

New York, Aug. 30.—George W. Cummings, vice president of the American Press Association, died suddenly, Aug. 28, at Banff, Northwest Territories.

while on his way from his home in Los Angeles, Cal., to New York.

Mr. Cummings was born near Terre Haute, Ind., in 1848 and was graduated from Indiana State university in 1872. He was married in 1879 to Miss Josephine de Fontaine of Charleston, S. C., who died in 1903. He engaged in journalism in Terre Haute and afterward in St. Louis.

In 1882, in connection with Major O. J. Smith and R. W. Nelson, Mr. Cummings founded the American Press Association, in Chicago. Last spring he removed from New York, where he had lived for twenty years, to Los Angeles. His health had been impaired for some years before his death. He was identified with a number of business undertakings and died possessed of a considerable fortune. He will be buried in Woodlawn cemetery, New York.

Gunmaker Vickers Shot.

London, Aug. 30.—Albert Vickers, the senior member of the Vickers-Mackin gunmaking firm, was accidentally shot in the chest and neck while grouse shooting in Inverness-shire by a fellow sportsman. Most of the shot has been extracted, and the patient is progressing satisfactorily.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Washington, Aug. 30.—Fourth class postmasters have been appointed as follows:

New York—Parma Center, John Zellweger.

Pennsylvania—Youngwood, Thomas E. Pratt.

Minister Arrested at Cripple Creek.

Victor, Colo., Aug. 30.—Rev. T. S. Lealand, Arthur Parker and L. H. Jenks have been arrested at Cripple Creek as the result of an alleged attack upon Sheriff Bell and several of his deputies.

PRIVATE GRAVEYARD.

A Second Corpse Discovered on Gustave Marx's Farm.

SEARCHING FOR A THIRD.

Aged Connecticut Man, Now in Jail Charged With Murder, Suspected of Having Made a Practice of Killing All Whom He Disliked.

Colchester, Conn., Aug. 30.—Persistent searching on the part of Alonzo Grant, a court interpreter, has brought to light the body of a murdered farm hand on the farm of Gershon B. Marx, the octogenarian now in jail accused of the murder of John Pavel, who was employed by Marx after the mysterious disappearance of a farm hand two years ago. Further search is being made in the expectation of recovering the body of a peddler who visited the Marx farm and was seen no more. Jewelry and clothing belonging to the peddler were seen in Marx's possession, it is alleged.

Marx Fled to New York.

Marx fled from Colchester on April 10, following the discovery of the mutilated body of a man in the cellar of his farmhouse. It was found by a farm hand, who had been hired to take the place of John Pavel. Marx said Pavel had returned to Poland, but the body was identified as his.

Marx was captured in Broome street, New York, ten days later, at the home of a former partner named Weiss. A Colchester storekeeper, a shrewd Yankee, tempted by the offer of \$1,000 reward for Marx's arrest, fevreted out his hiding place.

Body Found Under Stone Pile.

The talk of other mysterious disappearances on the Marx farm set interpreter Grant searching, and he found, under a pile of stones, the dismembered body of a man believed to be Thomas Palm, Pavel's predecessor in Marx's employment. Bits of clothing helped in the identification. The whole farm is now being carefully gone over for some trace of the body of the peddler.

The theory to account for the murder or murders is that Marx possessed an ungovernable temper and killed those with whom he quarreled. His young wife is also incarcerated with him, awaiting trial.

WALKED TO ST. LOUIS.

Feat of Three New York National Guardsmen.

St. Louis, Aug. 30.—After a two months' tramp from New York city Sergeant Charles R. Marinus, Henry Wilkening, Jr., and William Hutton, members of the engineer corps of the Fourteenth regiment of national guards of the state of New York, have arrived in St. Louis.

The men left New York June 1, each carrying full military equipments, consisting of a tent and cooking utensils. They made the entire journey on foot, coming by way of Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Indianapolis.

Sergeant Marinus carried a letter of introduction from Mayor McClellan of New York to Mayor Wells, the delivery of which was to be the official completion of their journey.

The journey was made on a wager, by the conditions of which each of the walkers was to receive \$500 if the letter was delivered to Mayor Wells before noon on Sept. 1.

A FOREIGN INVASION.

Hungarians and Belgians Here to See the St. Louis Fair.

New York, Aug. 30.—A party of Hungarian deputies and their friends, numbering sixty-one persons, has arrived here on the steamer Slavonia en route to St. Louis, where they will attend the international parliamentary congress.

A large party of Belgian officials, also en route for the St. Louis exposition, arrived on the steamer Kroonland from Antwerp and Dover. The party included Guillaume de Groot, member of the Belgian Royal academy; A. Honzeau de Lelme and H. La Fontaine, members of the Belgian senate; Emile Van der Velde of the chamber of representatives; E. Verlant, director of Beaux Arts; Victor Watteyne, director of industry; Henry Carton de Wiart, secretary of the chamber of deputies, and Franz Novak, delegate of the Hungarian government.

Battleship Squadron Home.

Pasque Island, Mass., Aug. 30.—The north Atlantic fleet of battleships which has been cruising in European waters has been sighted off Menemsha light, Martha's Vineyard, steaming westward toward No Man's Land. As the battleships left Horta, Azores island, different directions. They seemed to have no use for orderlies or staff of excellent one. The vessels are to engage in target practice off No Man's Land. The fleet, which is under command of Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker, consists of the battleships Keokuk (flagship), Alabama, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Maine.

Three Russian Banks Fail.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 30.—Financial circles are uneasy over the money outlook. Several runs have occurred at provincial banks, and as a result three failures are reported. The banking corporations which have been compelled to suspend business are those at Anreef, Penchenkin and Ossipoff. A report was current that the Imperial bank was involved through the Ossipoff failure, but this is denied.

HILL'S RETIREMENT.

Politicians Agog Over the Ex-Senator's Announcement.

New York, Aug. 30.—The ex-senator among politicians is the subject given out by David R. Hill that this is his last year in politics and that no matter what the result of the election in November will be he will retire from public life for good and all on Jan. 1.

The senator is celebrating his sixty-first birthday, and while in conversation with some political friends who called on him at Wolfert's Room he said that he had intended to make this announcement a year ago, but was persuaded, rather against his will, to remain in politics until after the presidential election.

He said that he had been an active political life since his youth and had been city attorney, alderman, mayor, member of the state legislature, lieutenant governor, governor for seven years and United States senator, and, while on the one hand he felt he had been abundantly honored by his party, on the other he felt he had given political service equal to the rewards he had received. The future he wished to devote to his private practice.

The announcement stated specifically that even should his party be successful in the coming elections he would accept no office, nor would he continue as party manager or leader.

This is regarded as a specific denial that Mr. Hill will go into Judge Parker's cabinet should the latter be elected. Prominent Republicans are of the opinion that this announced retirement is not altogether voluntary on Mr. Hill's part.

The belief is that certain men high in Democratic councils have represented to him that the probability of his being taken into the cabinet as the secretary of state is greatly hampering the Democratic canvass.

A New Political Party.

Chicago, Aug. 30.—In response to calls sent out to labor organizations, turner societies, single tax clubs and farmers' and other economic reform bodies a convention is being held here for the purpose of launching a new national political party. The call urges the necessity for bringing into existence a party based on the principles of liberty as set forth by Jefferson, which shall admit to its councils none except the wealth producers of the country. In its embryonic form the party is called the Jeffersonian Democracy, but a move is on foot to give it the formal name of "Industrial Liberty Party."

Roosevelt's Letter Completed.

Great Bay, N. Y., Aug. 30.—President Roosevelt devoted the day almost entirely to recreation. He and Secretary Loeb transacted some official business but the volume of governmental matters was comparatively light. Work on the letter of acceptance has been completed substantially, and the document now is being transcribed in final form. It will be placed in the hands of the printer in a day or two.

GERMANS BUILD BRIDGE.

Ten Tear It Down—Experiment Cost \$500,000—Declared Successful.

Berlin, Aug. 30.—Three regiments of military railroad builders in the last few days erected a strong, wide bridge over the Elbe in the country district of Wittenberge, capable of bearing heavy artillery and army transport. It has been torn down. The experiment as the material for the bridge cost \$500,000.

Extraordinary precautions were taken to keep the country people from approaching near to the bridge and to prevent photographs of it being taken. The structure, which was perfected by members of the general staff, was built in sections that can quickly be put together. If one or more sections are destroyed by shells or by fire others can be substituted. The bridge can be adapted to streams of varying width and depth. General von Elnem, the war minister, inspected it and pronounced it to be adaptable.

The Quiet Japanese.

This is a pen picture by a correspondent of the occupation of a town by Japanese soldiers:

"The Japanese division was in the town, there was no doubt of it, but not even a bugle broke the comparative quiet of the place. I explored the streets to see what had become of these unusual soldiers. I found them in the shadows of verandas, within the shelter of gardens and compounds, Marthes Vineyard, steaming westward toward No Man's Land. As the battleships left Horta, Azores island, different directions. They seemed to have no use for orderlies or staff of excellent one. The vessels are to engage in target practice off No Man's Land. The fleet, which is under command of Rear Admiral Albert S. Barker, consists of the battleships Keokuk (flagship), Alabama, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Maine.

International Regatta at Bilbao.

Bilbao, Spain, Aug. 30.—King Alfonso has undertaken to organize an international regatta at Bilbao similar to the Kiel regatta. The king will present a cup, and has promised to personally endeavor to obtain foreign entries.

Riot at Riga.

Riga, European Russia, Aug. 30.—Assistant Chief of Police Lishin and two policemen were severely wounded while dispersing a crowd of unemployed persons which had assembled near the prison.

My Stomach "It feels so uncomfortable. Food distresses me. I get blue and despondent. My doctor says it's my stomach." And what did your doctor tell you to take? Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

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